

The BLURB

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PHILMONT'S Team FOR THE NEW SEASON !!



THE PREZ SEZ

I would like to thank the members for their expression of confidence in trusting me to try to guide Philmont in 1969. Let us hope that I can prove that your confidence is warranted.

The election itself was very disappointing due to the small turnout. Something as important as election of officers should be determined by more than 25% of the membership. If we can continue with our interesting programs, possibly we can get better turnouts for our regular meetings; but we must have more members to decide policies at least.

The loss of some of our old stalwarts like W3LNQ, W3QV, W3IW and W3WNC is felt keenly by most of the members. This is no more than as it should be; these were all fine men and are sorely missed. We have lost other good men in the past, and will lose more in the future. I am sure none of these men would want to be honored by lack of activity on the part of any of the members. They were fine, active people and would most certainly want the rest of us to become even more active in their place.

Let's see if we can get some of the older members to combine their experience with the interest of the present active members, and the enthusiasm of the young people. This can make Philmont a club to be respected all over the world.

"73"
Bob K3UWO

P.S. We need Mid-Month schedules. They are all open at this time. Please let me know if and when you can extend your hospitality to us.

Thanks,

Bob K3UWO

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PHIL-MONT CALENDAR

Monday	January 6	Regular Meeting, Franklin Institute
Wednesday	January 15	Mid-month Meeting W3KN QTH
Wednesday	January 15	Deadline for February BLURB

THE EDITOR'S VIEW

In a free society an election not only determines who will administer the society; it also indicates, by the percentage of the electorate that votes, the intensity of interest in the affairs of the society. Judging from the results of our recent election there is not much broad-based interest in what Phil-Mont is or does. Only thirty-one members came to the election -- that's 26 percent of the Regular membership. The new President was elected by 16 percent of the members.

The members who did not show up at the meeting are not to be chided or rebuked in any way for their absence. They all have many demands on their time and must employ it as only they see fit. Many are business men with activities outside normal hours. Others have extensive family obligations, or belong to other organizations, or want to watch the Laugh In, or are just too tired at the end of the day to go out in the evening. Time is a rare and irreplaceable commodity, and an individual has to justify his expenditure of time to no one but himself.

This competition for time, coupled with the effects of our affluence, has subverted the spirit of amateur radio just as it has forced the modification of our values in other facets of our lives. Phil-Mont cannot escape the competition for personal time, as the election has shown. The decrease in involvement that we have been bemoaning in recent years has at its base NOT the loss of key members (of which we still have an abundance), NOT the quality or type of programs (which have been better in the past year than we have ever had) and NOT because there have been no new challenges (as witness the flop of RTTY). It is a direct result of people having too many other things to do. It is as simple as that!

There may not be much of significance in all this for most people, but when you spend ten or more hours a month preparing and printing a newspaper for an organization, and three-fourths of the members display little or no interest in the organization or its objectives, you begin to wonder if you might not spend your time to better advantage in some other endeavor. I have only a limited time available for my hobby just like anyone else, and I have no intention of squandering it on the Blurb if the preponderance of "Philmonters" continue to demonstrate an indifferent attitude. Let me reiterate what I said earlier: this is not a criticism of indifferent members--their time is their own and they are welcome to use it in the manner that brings them the greatest satisfaction. And I'll do the same.

PHILMONT TO HARTFORD TO GHANA 1968

Culmination of a 4 month Phil-Mont project took place Dec. 8 when 2 tons of parts, hardware, and equipment left Philadelphia for the second leg of it's journey to fellow African hams. Basically an idea of the ARRL, the project began in June 1968, fathered by our fearless leader, W3KN. "Anything radio, useable, and surplus to your needs" as Mr. Weed put it, should be passed to Lou, BJS, or Jim, QQH. Lou stored it heaven knows where until the crucial moment, Sat. 12/7 at 2 p.m., at which time all the family and friends were called upon to empty the house of "those boxes of junk" and pile it at the curb. Sure enough, a 2 ton U-Haul, QQH and VVS presiding, arrived on schedule and many grunts later we were loaded and ready for Newington. Sunday at 8:30 AM (even the chicken don't get up that early) KN, KNH, SPS, QQH, and AHP set off for ARRL HQ; the 2 ton truck and George's $\frac{1}{2}$ ton Falcon. 217 miles, one pit stop, many tolls, and lots of bumps later we pulled in behind W1AW to meet Dick Baldwin, W1IKE, and have him meet our little gift. Dick had taken his digitalis (forewarned is forearmed) but it was still a surprise for him to see a truck body 8 X 12 ft. piled 2 feet deep. His only comment--"Do you have any objection if I take some of these pieces to the local auction if we can't afford to ship it all?" Newington may have quite an auction in the near future. The only other response to the program had been several thousand diodes from Texas Instruments and a gift of money from one amateur. Next a tour of ARRL Headquarters-- two 1250 multilith machines; numerous addressograph plates, machines, sorters, etc; a beautiful lab with tools, equipment and parts galore; 5 spotless benches and one that looks like mine; a board room that's the livin' end; the museum and cafeteria----all are impressions which come to mind at the moment. Then on to W1AW for a guided tour of the RTTY-CW convertors, circular console, Collins operating position (similar to TKQ), 5 finals driven in simultaneous operation by a TMC special exciter---in general, a fine example of what can be done with money and a little time and effort. Farewells and thanks in both directions and our group headed for a steak house. Much gum beating, gas, more tolls, trying to fit five fat Philmonters into a Falcon station wagon comfortably, and North Hills arrived none too soon. All concerned enjoyed the trip, ARRL got a good start on it's project, and we hope Ghanaians and other African hams will get some benefit from our venture.

W3QQH

PHIL-MONT STANDARD CONTRACT ADOPTED

On the advice of legal counsel, Phil-Mont will use the following standard contract for all future work performed by W3QQH. In this document Phil-Mont is referred to as Club, and W3QQH is denoted as Contractor.

INTERPRETATION: The plans and specifications are to be taken together. Anything shown on the plans and not mentioned in the specifications, and anything mentioned in the specifications and not shown on the plans is to be considered as both shown and specified. Anything wanted by the Club, or any of its members, or by anybody else, except the Contractor, shall be considered as shown and specified, implied and required, and shall be provided by the Contractor, without expense to anybody but himself.

If the work has been done without expense to the Contractor, the work shall be taken down and done over again until the expense is satisfactory to the Club.

PLANS: Anything that is forgotten or left out of the plans and specifications but which is necessary and required for the comfort and convenience of the Club, whether we thought of it before or after the execution of the contract, shall be provided by the Contractor to the satisfaction of everybody -- but the Contractor -- and in full accord with the evident intent and meaning of the specifications, without cost to anybody but the Contractor.

Anything that is right on the plans is to be considered right; anything that is wrong shall be discovered by the Contractor, and shall be made right without telling on the Club or indicating it on the bills.

RULES AND REGULATIONS: The work throughout shall comply with the rules and regulations, caprices, and whims of all City, County, State and National and International Departments, Bureaus and Officials, ARRL, FCC, Popular Electronics Magazine, having or not having jurisdiction..

MATERIAL: All materials shall be of the best of their several kinds, and the Contractor is expected to know and provide the best, irrespective of what is specified in the detail. The Club reserves the right to change its mind about what is best. Any change necessary to make the work and the material fit to the mind of the Club shall be made by the Contractor without extra cost.

PERMITS: The Contractor shall obtain all permits and shall pay all fees, annual dues, graft, assessments, subscriptions to masked balls, organizations, outings and all hat checks.

PHIL-MONT STANDARD CONTRACT ADOPTED (Cont'd)

GUARANTEE: The Contractor shall guarantee, and does hereby guarantee that he will keep in complete and perfect working order, anything that the Club asks him to attend to, so long as there is more work in sight.

ARBITER: In case of any dispute arising as to the nature, character, or extent of the work shown, specified or implied, the matter shall be decided by referendum and recall, after which the decisions may be set aside and reversed by the Club.

PAYMENTS: Payments, if any, shall be made as the work progresses in the amount of 85% of the value of the work done, as judged by the Club.

The final payment, if any, shall be made only when everybody is satisfied --- except the Contractor.

Any evidence of satisfaction on the part of the Contractor shall be considered as just cause for withholding final payment.

FINALLY: The Contractor shall accept and hereby does accept the conditions hereinafter appearing for himself, his ancestors and progenitors, his family, his heirs, executors, his ox and his ass, and any stranger that is within his gates.

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DUES

Statements will be mailed shortly by K3NYL for 1969 dues. Bob asks that you return the lower part of the statement with your remittance. Also, please mark your call on the part of the statement you return in case it is not already there. Membership in Phil-Mont is still six dollars for Regular, and three dollars for Associate.

NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION (ASSOCIATE)

Arnold Schmick (Arnie), W3VDN
721 East Moyer Street
Philadelphia, 19125 NE4-4256

Arnie is heard almost every week on the 10-on-10 Net, He is a technician for Electrosonics International. We're happy to welcome him as a member.

1969 COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>CHAIRMAN</u>	<u>MEMBERS</u>
Welcome & Membership	W3OWK	K3HIE, W3AES, K3TKZ
Program	W3ADV	K3KUD, K3GNM
Blurb	W3QZO	K3SPS, W3CHZ, WA3CNI, W3VVS, W3QQH, K3HIE, W3KN, W3OWK
Net	W3WXG	W3ADV, WA3DMR, W3KDO, W3HQJ, W3CHZ
Audit	W3NIP	W3ADV, W3GOW
Budget	W3GOW	W3QQH, K3NYL, W3NIP, W3ADV, W3DSG, W3IWO
Franklin Institute Base Station	W3ADV	W3YG, W3CDY, W3OWK, W3QQH, W3DYP, K3RTR, W3TJQ
Communications Vehicle	W3QQH	K3HIE, W3QZO, K3BJS, K3CEE, W3KN, K3EID
Field Day	W3KN	K3KNH, K3SPS, W3PWG, W3QQH, W3VVS, W3AES, K3DJE
Special Events	W3QQH	W3VVS, K3GNM, W3ZPP, K3KNH, W3DSG, W3GIF
Social Activities	W3JGB	K3KNH, W3KN, WA2RDC, K3SZJ
Technical	W3QZO	K3GNM, W3AJO, K2EGF, K3JKT
TVI	K3GNM	W3AWH, K3KNH, W3FWI
Interclub	W3AES	W3PST, W3JKH, W3UZF
Refreshments	K3KNH	WA3DSP, K3HIE, WA3HEX
Prizes	W3OWK	WA3ATP
Awards	W3GOW	W3CDY, W3NIP

1969 COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS (Cont'd)

<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>CHAIRMAN</u>	<u>MEMBERS</u>
Publicity	WA3DMR	W3AES
Historical	W3JA	WA3ABU, W3OM
Nominating	To be appointed later	
Judge of Election	W3AWH	
Appointed Directors	W3KN, W3OWK	

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ELECTION RESULTS

A minority splinter-group seized control of the Election and forced through their choice of officers for the coming year. Calling themselves The Active Members, this dissident faction controlled the election unopposed by the majority Stay Home Party. The ballots were printed and distributed by the Actives; they even counted the ballots themselves, and openly proclaimed the Judge of Election as a member of their machine. With the election so obviously rigged (all the candidates were Actives too) the election was almost called off in favor of the prediction of our Giant Computer until the flippin thing announced Harold Stassen as the victor. The ballots were cast, however, and the final count showed the victorious as follows:

President:	Bob Mynster, K3UWO
Vice President:	Paul Bohlander, W3VVS
Secretary:	Murray Bevitz, K3SPS
Treasurer:	Bob Brangan, K3NYL
Director:	Dick Klein, W3WXC

Immediately after cheering and back-slapping, most of the fellows paid a visit to Anne Hecht at her apartment in Park Towne. After refreshments and splendid views from her spacious eleventh floor apartment we stole silently (?) away.

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AWARDS

For some reason, only vaguely explained, no awards were made at the December. January???

SCOOP

W3PWG, after a couple of months spare time searching, cleared all the cold solder joints in an HW-100 and now has it working. He checked into the 10-on-10 and worked Germany, California, Colorado, Texas and Mexico...K3UWO now has his base station on 75 and hopes to direct some lost mobile heading for his QTH...W3AES tried a CB linear with his Messenger on Channel 1. Reports it works quite well...W3ZLE and W3OWA are grandparents once more...W3NIP brought a carton of Allen Bradley calendars to the December meeting. Very nice bird pictures this year...W3AJO has been having dynamotor trouble. An item on the BLURB news sheet at the last meeting eased the situation when W3VVS noticed his plight and offered a PE-101...From W3DSG: "I didn't think anybody used dynamotors these days"...K3SPS lost his 6 meter antenna in recent high wind...W3RQZ, with assistance from K3UWO, managed to get a traffic light report in before it was reported through normal channels...W3YHV heard a friend's WDVR sweepstakes number called out on the air. Bill notified her, she reported to station and won \$1000!!!... A lot of the Phil-Mont gang attended the Delaware Valley club banquet in Media. W3DSG won a book on SSB. He accepted gratefully, but two years ago he would have set the place on fire if that had happened...W3ZZI sends greetings from Siam...W3ADV has been under the weather lately.

The call W3WNC can now be heard on 51MHz on Sunday mornings. It is the memorial call of the Secane ARC...K3KNH is now knocking off contacts from his new mobile installation...W3VVS is in full operation from his basement shack. Son WN3KLR has been using same shack on novice freqs. Heard W3AES on 21MHz and called him, but Jon was after DX...W3PBR has been off the air because of trouble in DX-100...W3QQH reports no suppression at all necessary in his new '68 Chrysler...W3YHV off to Boston again for the "Company"...W3JKH has been appointed Evergreen Soccer Club's alternate delegate to the E Pa Amateur Soccer League. See what we mean about demands on time?...WA3DMR is installing a CH 1 remote in his living room. Will also monitor police and fire frequencies.. It was nice seeing Fred at the December meeting. He was taken back to the northern region in the Yellow Peril Comm Bus along with K3HIE, K3UWO, W3VVS and ED, with QQH piloting...K3SPS drove all the way from his place to W3WXC's, then to the printer's, where he helped with the printing to ease the last-minute rush in BLURB production. It looked like a good opportunity to demonstrate the mean personality of the Multilith machine, but as luck would have it, the press ran almost perfectly in front of a

SCOOP (Cont'd)

visitor...W3PXW, W3ADV and W3BV are experimenting with QRP (low power) rigs on 80 CS... WB2SZF has resigned as club Historian...W3AEC brought some nice loot for the prize drawing...W3JA says every day is a holiday, and he likes it...Contacts with Indonesia (YB) are now permitted...And then there was the "impromptu banquet" that one of our over-enthusiastic members was going to arrange before the end of the year.

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SPECIAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTOR

An oversight in the last election fracas resulted in our voting for only one Director when actually two should have been selected. This goof perpetuated a similar mistake made in 1967, when a Director who ran for another office was improperly replaced by an appointment instead of by election.

To rectify this problem a special election will be held at the February regular meeting. The President and Vice President will obtain as many nominees as practicable before the February meeting. In addition, nominations may be made from the floor (with consent of nominee) at the February meeting until directly before the election.

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REPEATER STATUS

It was voted at the November Midmonth meeting to support W3QQH's Channel 1 repeater by financing the rental of a Telco line between the transmitter and receiver sites. The cost will be \$7.50 per month, starting around the middle of December. When the repeater goes into operation with the land line, Jim expects to have it receive on Channel 1 and repeat on 29.626MHz. After it has been evaluated operation will be reversed from the initial arrangement, i.e., it will transmit on Ch 1. The receiving freq ultimately used will depend on crystal availability and band occupation. With all the low cost solid-state CB rigs now available, why not get on Channel 1, use the repeater and sound like a KW.

SWAP AND SHOP

FOR SALE: Latest model single side band converter for Technical Material Corp. GPR-90 receiver. It is model NSR-4. In perfect condition with manual. \$65.
Gerard A. Baldauf, W3JKH, 175 Wernersville Blvd., Wernersville, Pa. 19565. Phones (215) 678-3980, 529-7694.

FOR SALE: Lafayette RE-42, six meter transceiver, 12 VDC, 115 VAC built-in power supplies. With VFO, microphone and crystals. \$45.

FOR SALE: Two meter Gensec communicator III, like new. 12 VDC and 115 VAC built-in power supplies. \$150.

Contacts: William N. Zechman, W3WOL,
119 May Street,
Reed City, Pa. 19601
Phones 215-372-1603

W3JKH will transport above items to meeting if purchased.

FOR SALE: PAX M4 35MM camera with 2.8 lens, speeds to 1/300, wide angle and telephoto lens, and AGFA-TULLY flash...\$50.00

Gensec Communicator III complete in excellent condx.\$130.00

B & W matchmaster model 650- 52 OHM.. \$20.00

Argus C4 camera...\$15.00

Fisher FM 80 tuner...\$40.00

RCA CMV-3 modified for 110 V AC w/crystals for 52.525..\$75.00

KAAR IMP 2 MTR AM Transceiver..\$40.00

See Jim Spencer W3QQH TU 4-8469

FOR SALE OR TRADE: 17 1/2 ft luger, fiberglassed, sleeps two, lights, speeds, extinguisher, jackets, canvas. 3 yrs. old with Sears tilt tongue trailer and electric start 35 hp Johnson outboard. Want -- SSB Station, SB line or equivalent.

See Bud Dahl, K2EGF Tel. 767-2001 after 6:30 p.m.

FOR SALE: 3 ea. Link 11UF 40-50 MC FM rcvrs..\$10.00 each

RCA 65 wt base station in 6 ft cabinet w/xtals for 52.525 and remote control. 2 COMCO 220 MC units complete..\$15.00 ea.

I R HI band monitor..\$45.00

See Lloyd Sherman W3CDY KI4-5864

FOR SALE: Hammarlund HX 50 xmtr 80-10 AM-CW-SSB...
Lafayette HA 350 transceiver 80-10 AM-CW-SSB w/spkr and RCA microphone.

See Bob Kercher, W3EWJE 603-983-2837 after 7 PM

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